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The parties, in response to the Court's request that they reconsider assignment of this 1 2 matter to a United States Magistrate Judge, have met and conferred. After meeting and conferring, 3 and consulting with their respective clients, the parties hereby respectfully decline assignment to a 4 United States Magistrate Judge and request this matter remains assigned to United States District 5 Judge Jeffrey S. White. 6 7 Date: June 27, 2008 QUALLS & WORKMAN, L.L.P. 8 9 By: Daniel H. Qualls 10 Attorney for Plaintiff Valerie Watson-Smith, and all others similarly situated 11 12 Date: June 27, 2008 SEYFARTH SHAW, LLP 13 By: /s/ Anthony J. Musante 14 Alfred L. Sanderson Jr. Attorney for Defendant 15 Spherion Atlantic Enterprises, LLC 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 JOINT DECLINATION TO PROCEED BEFORE A MAGISTRATE JUDGE